## ALL TRADITIONS OF WOUNDED LOVE AND BROKEN VOWS HALED INTO COURTS OF LAW REVERSED BY DISAPPOINTED SUITOR OF JENNINGS, MO.



Doleful Ending of Rustic Romance Which Flourished for Three Years, Aided by the Common Yearnings and Inclinations of Two Hearts Which for a Time Beat as One.

Not so many weeks ago the village gos sips and the young men and the maidens of Jennings, Mo., as they walked home from prayer meeting, were springing this very rustic pun: "Affairs will soon reach

Although they spoke in jest because of various and sundry rumors onent the distracted course of a certain true love which then was not running smoothly they prophesied correctly, for the crisis came, and it was such a one as moved the little suburb of Jennings as it never had been stirred before

It came in the form of a suit for breach all the traditions of wounded love and broken vows hauled into court were re versed and the lady was made the defendant in this suit

Truly, Jennings' gossins never had, and probably never again will have, so delffour a morsel to roll under their tongues at this most nevel of breach of promise

LIKE "LADY OR THE TIGER." Back of the petition filed by the bereaced fover Adolph Kreis, against his former lade lave, Miss Murs J. Wilson, to perhant heart thering to was a bor dian il mornini fraught with the suffer ings of a lover thrice more polyment and tear-econycline then the serrows of any Wetther. It might have set down in the all serilize of legal phisicology the tery of "The Lady of the Pog." more possible then that of the famed "Lady or the Tiper which Stockton wrote But it sid not it only bared to a cold, unampatheth world the secreting and of the material wise had been and and Ah tule was lost on Jennings however,

and the session revelot merely in the than to its utiliza-sentiment of phases. But this merely prives that dennings pussips are officer obtruse or heartless, for Mascogni might come to the little rustle others and write an opera that for parties

onsi trage-fy would by his Cavaleria

Bustlema" In the sinds. BLIGHTED HOPES WORTH \$5,500. The sub is no joke with Adolph Kreis the hero of the sad tale, who estimates the damages to life young affection and his blighted hopes at \$25,000 in good, hard cash of the tealm. We have his testimony for or that the tragic events which led up to the filing of the suit have aged him at

grief has changed some of his black looks had the lady two, has suffered. Not, as he says. For her reason except that she times who came was the recipient of her

favor and was collectained to her father's irry lite been drawn a third person,

who, perhaps, has been the innecent cause of the brees in the relations between the

This is the young, college-bred minister of the Presbyterian Church, of which Mr. A reis and Miss Wilson were both mem been and to the mutual work of up building which love first budded and flour. ished into the flower which the cruel frest of a lawruit finally nipped

But the catalogue of the persons of this hitle drama is incomplete without men- had come between them and that the tioning yet another being, who figures in it. It is true, perhaps as no more than a supernumerary, although at one time threatened with extinction which would swurthy check like fire," and he set about have made of his part one more or less

"LOVE ME. LOVE MY DOG" This is the faithful dog which Kreis, in the "bappy autumn days that are-no e" gave to Miss Wilson as a cauge of ore, months of that old men: "Love me.

With the four principal actors in this tragedy of unrequited affection stated and equiation of Jennings ranged about as a chorus, the curtain may be considered as already up for the revealment of

tions the lever that has moved great these in the world. It has caused the and the overthrow of great Emthe establishment of dynasties, of and of schools of philosophy, the g of immerial songs and epks, the my of great truths and the changof the laws of nature through mar-

ADOLPH. KREES.



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHAT CENNINGS WHICH KREIS SAYS HE ORGANIZED FOR MISS WILSON'S SAME

of the Presbyterian Church of Jennings, Lim removed that he might be of one creed with the

atri whom he adored stiss Wilson joined this church, and in time became the president of the Christian Endeavor Society, a teacher in the Sunday School and the church organist. The Reverend Mr. Topping, a graduate of Princeton, became the partor.

The church, a pretty little chapel build-ing, was next to the kine home, and it became the theater of the carnest endrayour of the two young persons whose community of ideas and efforts seen made the gossips of Jennings to agree among

themselves that they were betroubed.

And so in time Krem also thought, at leging that July 4, 1981. Miss Wilson had given an assent to his entreaties to be his athanest. Although the petition does not state so, it is fair to assume that all went well with the young people until nearly two years later, when the first dark cloud

bung over the young lovers SEVERED FRIENDLY RELATIONS. The shadow came in the form, Kreis says, of vague disquieting runsors about the village that he no longer held a place in Miss Wilson's affections, that another young lady repudiated the supposed enexcement with him. .

Then, like Marimon, "burned Kreis's to find out about it. What he found out, he says, resulted in the breaking off of all friendly, not to say more than friendly. relations between himself and Miss Wilson, three months ago. Brooding over his serrous resulted, three months later, in the filing of his suit against ber for \$25,the damages for brench of promise.

In relating the story of his griefs, Kreis easy that he learned six months ago that during his absence from the city the Revevend Mr. Topping had called frequently upon the object of his affections. He remonstrated with his supposed finances, but she reassured him, he says, by telling him that Mr. Topping's visits were made merely in his ministerial capacity. For

the time being peace was restored. But the gossipe' tongues were not stilled, however much the uneasiness of Mr. Kreis has been allayed, and finally the village talk stung Mr. Kreis to action or to a threat of action. He threatened attentions to one upon whom he thought he had a prier right and if he found the

his fathers and to be one of the founders | number guilty of enerosching to have |

KREIS OFFERS EXPLANATION.

violent sense used by banditti or anarchists, and the result was that Mr. Topping swore a warrant in Clayton

he charge and past the costs, and Mr. Kreis was saved the homiliation and antimself of the awful charge, for he is | sought an explanation carnest in his protestation of his innocent

"I merely meant removed from his pastorate," explained Mr. Kiels, "and did not mean it we a threat of vidence." Even after this occurrence, Mr. Kreis continued to hope that the cloud would pass and that he might once more to happy in the undisputed possession of the

use of the aminous word "removed."

was not to be. The fateful crash came about three months ago. Thinking happy thoughts as he walked along the shaded lane that lead from his home to that of Miss Wilson about a half mile up the road, hearing in the happy song of little birds in the trees an echo of his own loving ruminations, and his whole being responsive to the g'adness and the sunshine of a summer

and again to urke her to name the day off their happy mating. Alas, the tender lover little dreamed as he unlatched the gate and with glad ontionation walked up the flower-bordered walk to the door of his supposed flancee's home what a cruel joit to his hopes await-

day, Adolph Kreis set out one afternoon

three months ago to visit his sweetheart

amitten youth awaited her coming with throbbing heart, he rehearsed the words in which he should entreat her to fulfill the plighted troth.

DIAMOND RING WAS MISSING. "She is coming, coming, coming," his beart bear as he heard the soft patter of her footsteps descending the stairway-

Unfortunately, the village gossips gave No smile of love there, and, disappointed, a sinister meaning to Mr. Kerls's use of his eyes sought her hand for any extended the word "removed." Retailed by them it sign of welcome. Suddenly his brow was thought to have been uttered in the clouded, and look of love faded out from his eyes and a great anger flamed up in his countenance. Again he looked at her hand, his eye searching the third finger against his partishioner for making threats, of the left hand where the sign of her and took stock. It was a trying occupa fealty to him should have blazed out in tion, and only served to increase the sufeighteen-carat brilliance.

It was not there. The expensive mend ring which on a day in the happy novance of appearing before the bar of past, which now seemed so very long ago, justice for true. If he had been tried, it has had slipped upon her taper forger with he had slipped upon her taper finger with is probable that he would have cleared a tender sentiment, was missing. Adolph-

the ring. But this only tended to fan the indignation of Adolph to a flercer gion His ring, the costly picker of his love. whose radiant shackles were expressive symbols of the glowing qualities of his undying affection, scorned and forgotten It was too much, and the missing ringnot to perpretrate a pun-was the knell of adored object of his affections. But it the romance of Adolph and Mary

WOULD DEMAND PRESENTS. When Adolph flung out of the Wilson home that bright summer afternoon it was with a wounded heart and with the heartbreaking knowledge that it was all off between him and Mary. As he strode summer sky was overcast for him, the the "times were out of joint."

It was many days before poignant grief in Adolph's bosom gave way to proud resentment and he had decided to make the breach between him and Miss Wilson irrevocable. He had loved and lost and grieved. Now he would cease to repine and would demand his presents back. And he did. Once more going to the Wilson he had made to her in token of his undy- self from barm. ing affection. Mine Wilson proudly resented and the disappointed lover sadly had held back the dog. He resolved that went his way back to the home of his nothing should remain in her postession parente

were returned to Adolph-that is, nearly constant than for him, but this should to investigate the report of the minister's and the next moment she stood before all of them. With faltering fingers, his not be a plea for her continued ownership face hearing a look of fend and regretful of the dog, and he would get it back. He she accepts the evil days that have come Mr. Peters is a son of former the reminimence, Adolph untied the package even received that, failing a peaceable upon her through the unwelcome notoriety man Peters of Kname.

ferings of the saddened lover.

Yes, they were all there, these doleful reminders of brighter days. There was transfer of the cherished canine to him, he the great braze clock with music box ata cost of \$100, each minute ticking off the time that would intervene before the mak-Miss Wilson told him she had forgotten er's fond hopes would be realized and he would be happy in the possession of the adored one for whom he had made it; each hour causing the music box to strike up a tune which was symbolical of the vibrant music that filled the heart of the maker at thought of his mamorata.

All, HA! DOG IS MISSING. And there, too, was the flashing diamond ring which Adolph had bought with his savings to be a token of the promise he meant to fulfill, but had not been permitted to. And as he looked again at the prismatic stone reposing on its white satin bed he thought of his crushed hopes, once as iridescent as that piece of carbon. home with quick and gloomy strides the sadily the disappointed swain went over the inventory of returned presents, fingerbirds chirped only requiems and for him ing gloomily each well-remembered trinket. letter or picture. How much they had cost him in money and time, but how gladly had he paid the price, believing

that some day he would be happy in the ownership of their once possessor. Now they were his once more, all returned Bur suddenly be realized that there was

something raissing. He thought, and then home, this time with angry instead of he remembered. From among the number loving thoughts, he made the formal de- of returned gifts he missed the giad yelp mand of Miss Wilson that she return to of the dog which he had given to Miss him each and several of the gifts which Wilson that it might protect her sweet At once he realized that Miss Wilson

In due course of time the love tokens love for the dog evidently had been more

Which Was Given as a Gage of Love, the Saddened Lover Now Wants \$25,000 and Vindication. in a Christian spirit, regarding the suit as a visitation of Providence which she is

His Betrothal Denied,

Presents Returned.

All Except the Dog,

bound to receive in a spirit of humility. resignation and fortitude. WORRIES OVER PRICE ASKED. Although her father is a retired mer bant in comfortable circumstances, and Mise Wilson an only child, she is a music teacher. "But." says Miss Wilson, "I don't know how I am going to pay this 25.000 if Kreis wins his suit, for I have

never been able to save up that much

TOMATOES DO NOT SPOIL Police Capture Man Bearing Box of Vegetables.

"It won't do to let them spall, boys," declared one Fifth District policeman to several of his companions Friday night. This was a signal for a tomato feast which followed. The tomatoes had been brought in by Patrolmen Hallgran and Hickey, who arrested Peter Mause, 22 years old, of No. 213 North Ninth street. The golicemen had found Mause at Tenth and Clinton streets, carrying a box of to-

"Where did you get them?" asked "Bought them for # cents at Biddle

Market," replied Mause. "Riddle Market has been closed two ours Come on to the station and tell the

Captain about it." On the way Mause changed his statement, declaring he found the tematees at

Pending the investigation, the discovery was made that the tomatoes were spotling. A few are left for evidence.

WALKS INTO RATTLERS' DEN. Hunter Pursues Bird and Finds

Himself Surrounded by Snakes." Tucson, Artz., Sept. 2-James J. Conrad had a hair-raising experience while out

hunting 'n Pima Canon, ien miles from this city. He waked into a den of rattlesnakes, and it was only after a hard fight that he manages to escape. Passing into an inclusive walled by rocks. where a wounded bird had fallen, he was horrified to see a number of the venomous reptiles, and all rattling their warn-

Several of the sunkes had changed their positions after his entrance, blocking his The battle commenced and it was

not until after Conrad had killed nine that he was able to beat a retreat. One victors fellow struck him, and either the thickness of a leather legging

or the fraction of an inch saved him from

would stretch the beast cold in death by

DOG'S LIFE IS SPARED.

The next day, however, his anger at the

failure to return the dog had cooled down,

and upon the advice of his lawyer he re-

solved to forego possession of the dog and

But although he abandoned his an

sounced intentions upon the animal, he

was inexorable otherwise, and the return

of the presents was followed shortly by

The amount asked for in the suit was

25.000. Mr. Kries has said that he is not

out for money, but vindication. Miss Wil-

son has not the money, he says, and he

what he really wishes is a rehabilitation

And so closes the first act in the roman-

tic drama of Adolph Kreis and Mary Wil-

the Jennings gossips will hazard a guess

upon. Mr. Kreis vows that he will push

the suit; that he has been repudiated, and

and jury that she did not affiance herself

Mr. Topping, the paster of the church

while admitting that he called upon Miss

Wilson in the exercise of his clerical func-

tions, disavowe emphatically having at

whom he regarded as engaged to Mr.

Miss Wilson, while regretting the suit

declaration that she will not marry Mr.

Kreis; that even a suit for the goodly sum

named by Mr. Kreis as baim cannot force

her to marry him, and that she never

any time had any affinity for Miss Wils

n the eyes of his neighbors.

the filing of the suit against Miss Wilson

means of a lethal bullet.

for breach of promise.

to spare its He

the deadly bits. EMBEZZLEMENT IS CHARGED.

C. R. Spencer First Prisoner in New District Station. Clifford R. Spencer of No. 515 St. Charles

street, who was the first prisoner locked up at the new Eleventh District Police Station, is charged in a warrant issued resterday morning with embegsleme bullee, Herman Frank, arrested with

Spencer, has been released. Policeman Tom Noonan had the honor of aking the first arrest in the new district Manager Stevenson of the National School of Munic, is the complaining witness against Spencer, the charge involving the sale of two mandoling said to have ! left in Spencer's care.

PETERS GETS AN ADE SKIT. Former Kansas City Newspaper

Man to Be Its Manager. REPURENC SPECIAL.

Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 2-Mason Peters Jr., formerly a Kanma City newspag man, who has been connected with the Henry W. Bavage opera compani general press agent in New York for the last three years, has assumed the man-agerable on his own account of George Ade's first vaudeville skit, called "On His Uppera." Mr. Ade wrote the sketch for and the ensuing publicity, is firm in her Mr. Peters, and gave it to him as a mat-

ter of friendship. The company will make its initial appearance in New York September 4 and will thereafter be played over the Kelth

had promised to be his wife. For the rest